

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO
WESTERN DIVISION AT DAYTON**

JAMES TANUI KIPTANUI,

Petitioner, : Case No. 3:24-cv-043

- vs -

District Judge Michael J. Newman
Magistrate Judge Michael R. Merz

THE STATE OF OHIO,

:
Respondent.

TRANSFER ORDER

With the consent of both of them, the Magistrate Judge reference in the above-captioned case is hereby transferred from The Honorable Chelsey M. Vascura to the Honorable Michael R. Merz to help balance the Magistrate Judge workload in this District.

February 28, 2024.

s/ *Michael R. Merz*
United States Magistrate Judge